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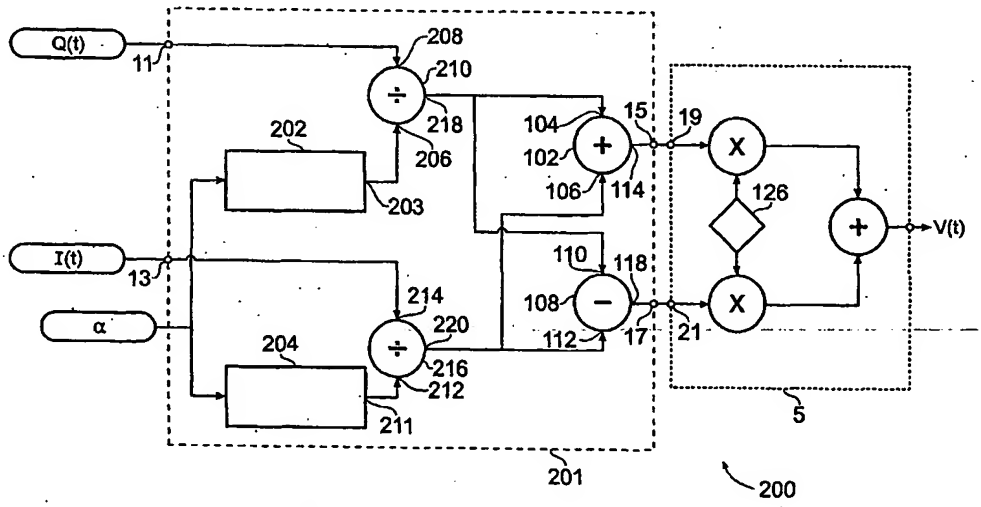

(57) Abstract: A method and apparatus (200) for modulating I and Q signals to compensate for phase error between the quadrature outputs of a local oscillator (126) of a quadrature modulator(s). The error in the quadrature outputs of the local oscillator is effectively compensated by pre-processing (201) incoming *I(t)* and *Q(t)* baseband signals to generate composite signals adding (102) and subtracting (108) scaled (202, 210, 204, 214) *I(t)* and *Q(t)*. These composite signals form the input (19, 21) of quadrature modulator(s), the method comprising the steps of : applying a first scaling factor to an input I signal; applying a second scaling factor to an input Q signal; adding the scale I and Q signals; subtracting the scale I and Q signals; and quadrature modulating the added and subtracted signals.

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